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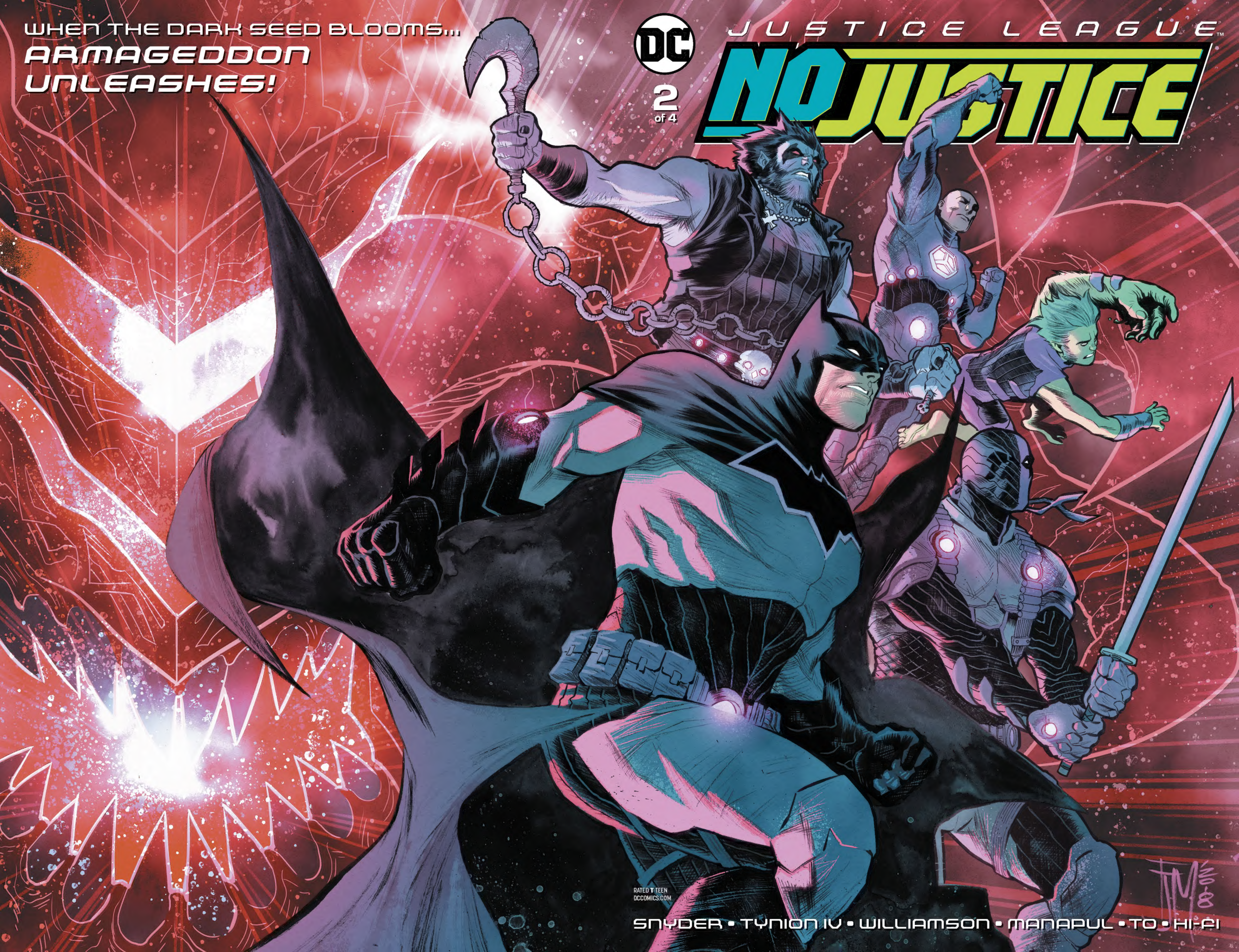
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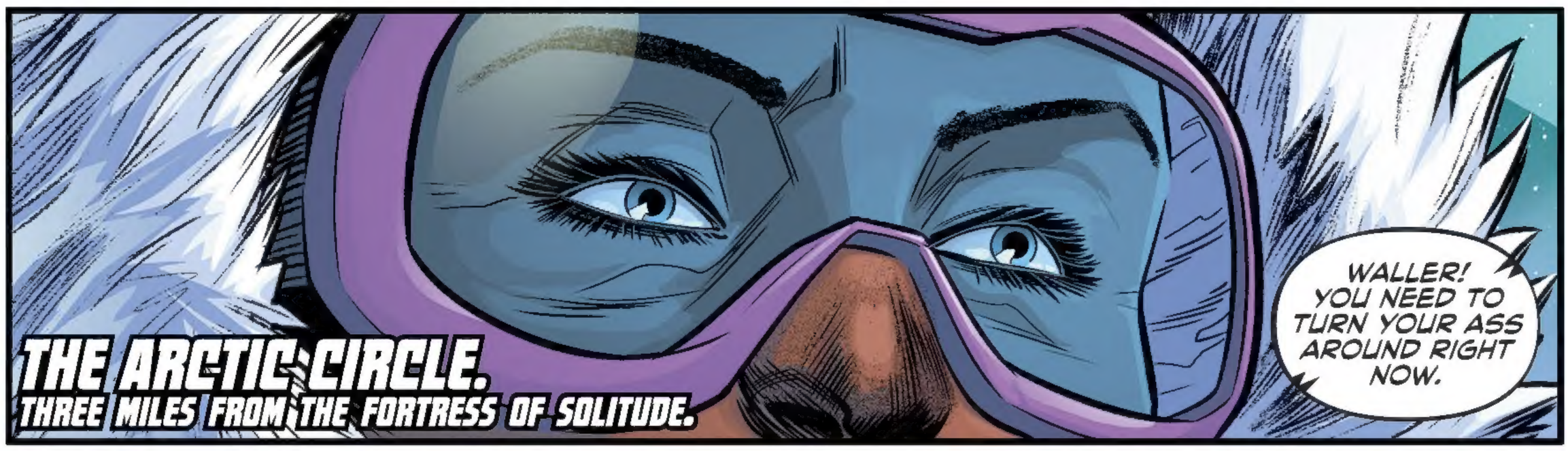
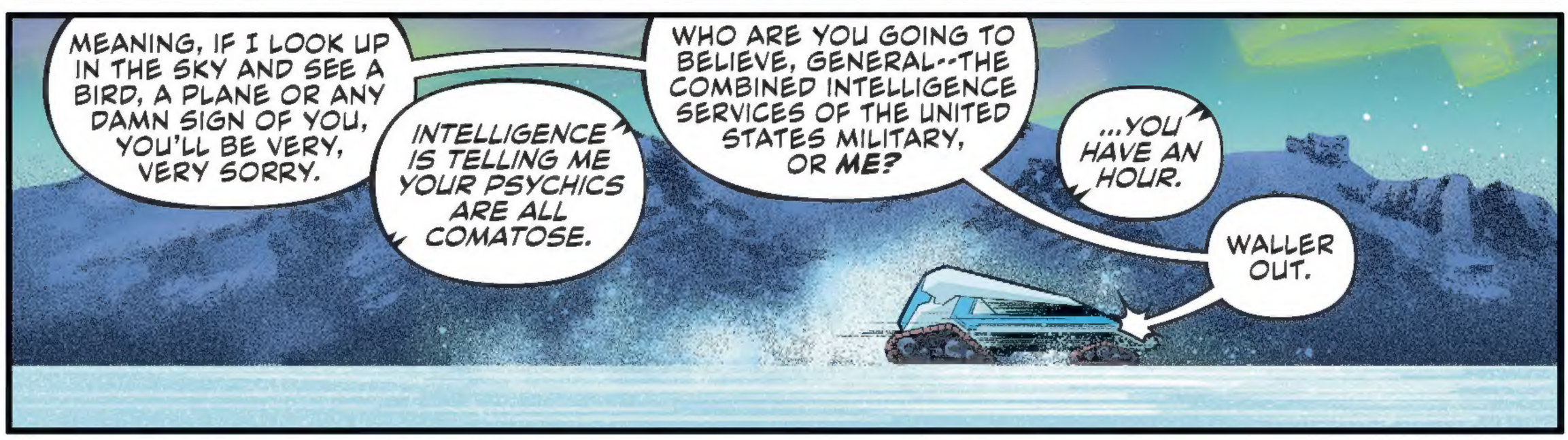
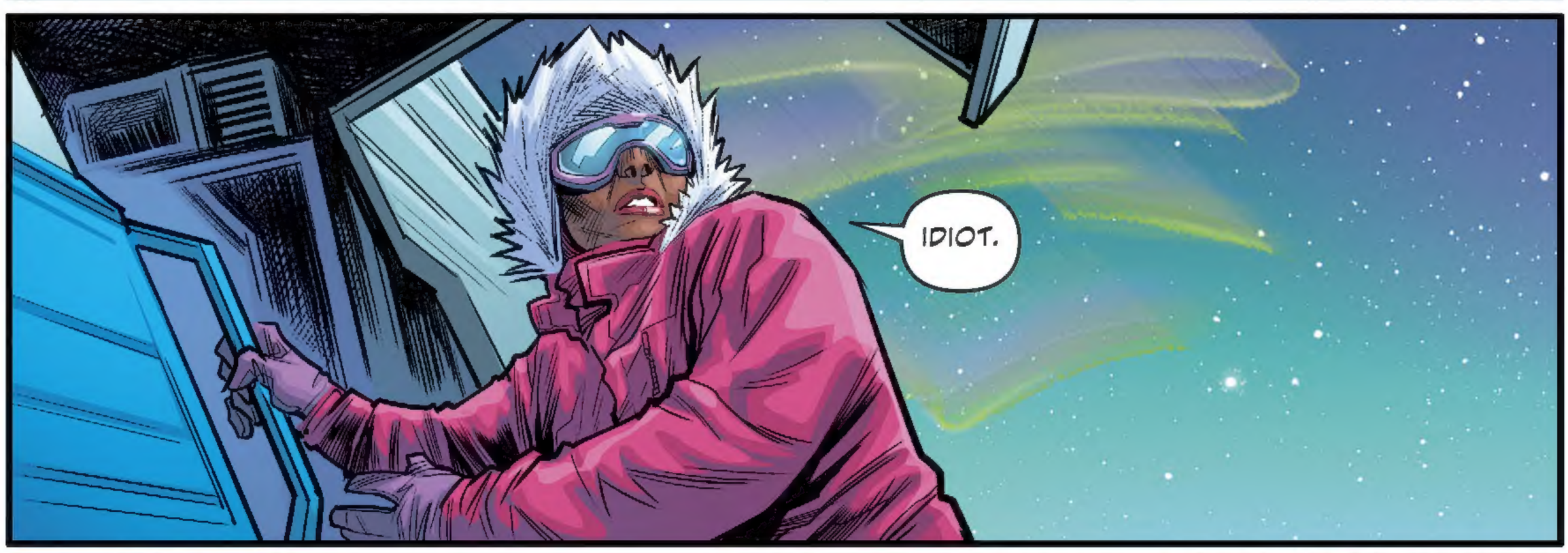

THE ARCTIC CIRCLE.
THREE MILES FROM THE FORTRESS OF SOLITUDE.
WALLER! YOU NEED TO TURN YOUR ASS AROUND RIGHT NOW.

YOU NEED TO LISTEN WHEN I TELL YOU TO SHUT UP, GENERAL LANE.
I WILL NOT TURN BACK. THIS IS FAR MORE IMPORTANT THAN MY LIFE OR YOUR EGO.
I'M SENDING A TEAM IN.
TASK FORCE XI IS PREPARED TO SHUT DOWN ANY ATTACK THAT COMES WITHIN SIXTY MILES OF MY LOCATION.


MEANING, IF I LOOK UP IN THE SKY AND SEE A BIRD, A PLANE OR ANY DAMN SIGN OF YOU, YOU'LL BE VERY, VERY SORRY.
INTELLIGENCE IS TELLING ME YOUR PSYCHICS ARE ALL COMATOSE.
WHO ARE YOU GOING TO BELIEVE, GENERAL--THE COMBINED INTELLIGENCE SERVICES OF THE UNITED STATES MILITARY, OR ME?
...YOU HAVE AN HOUR.
WALLER OUT.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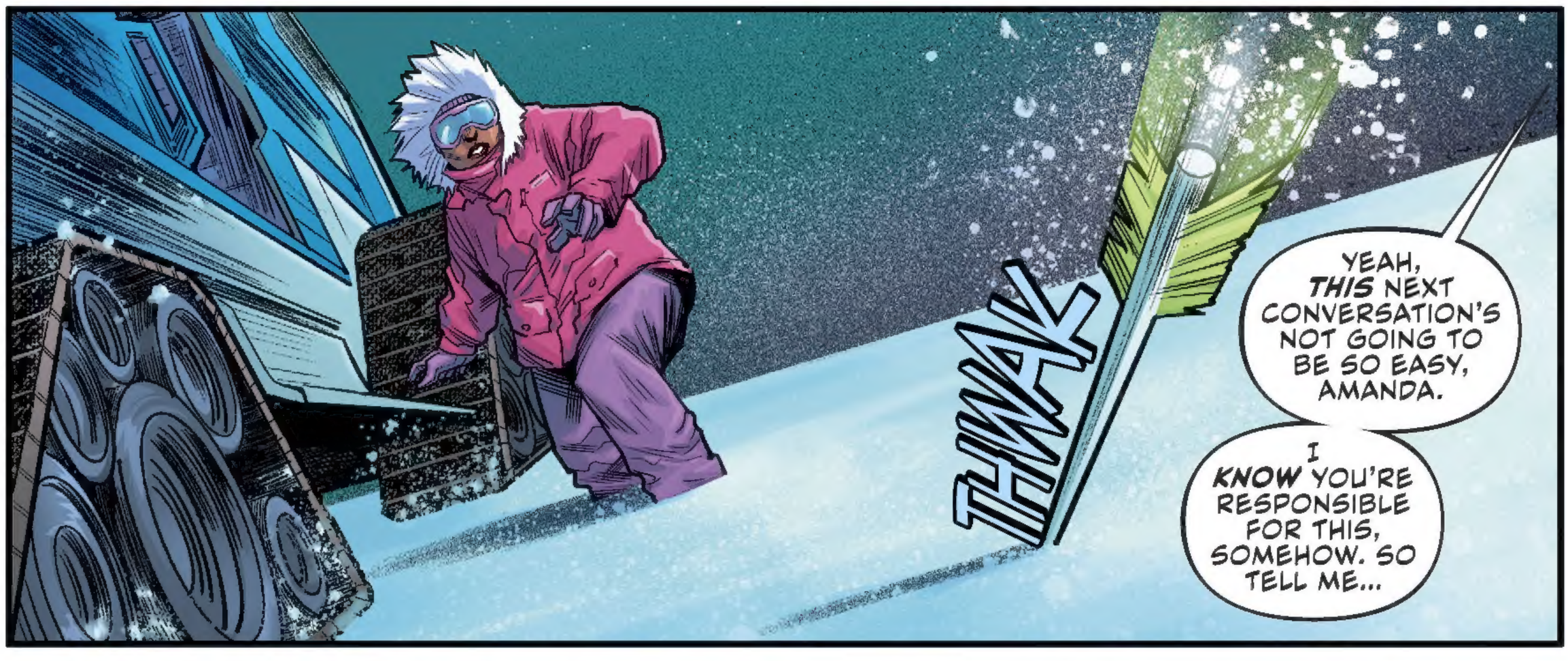
THWAK
YEAH, THIS NEXT CONVERSATION'S NOT GOING TO BE SO EASY, AMANDA.
I KNOW YOU'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS, SOMEHOW. SO TELL ME...

WHERE THE HELL IS THE JUSTICE LEAGUE?!
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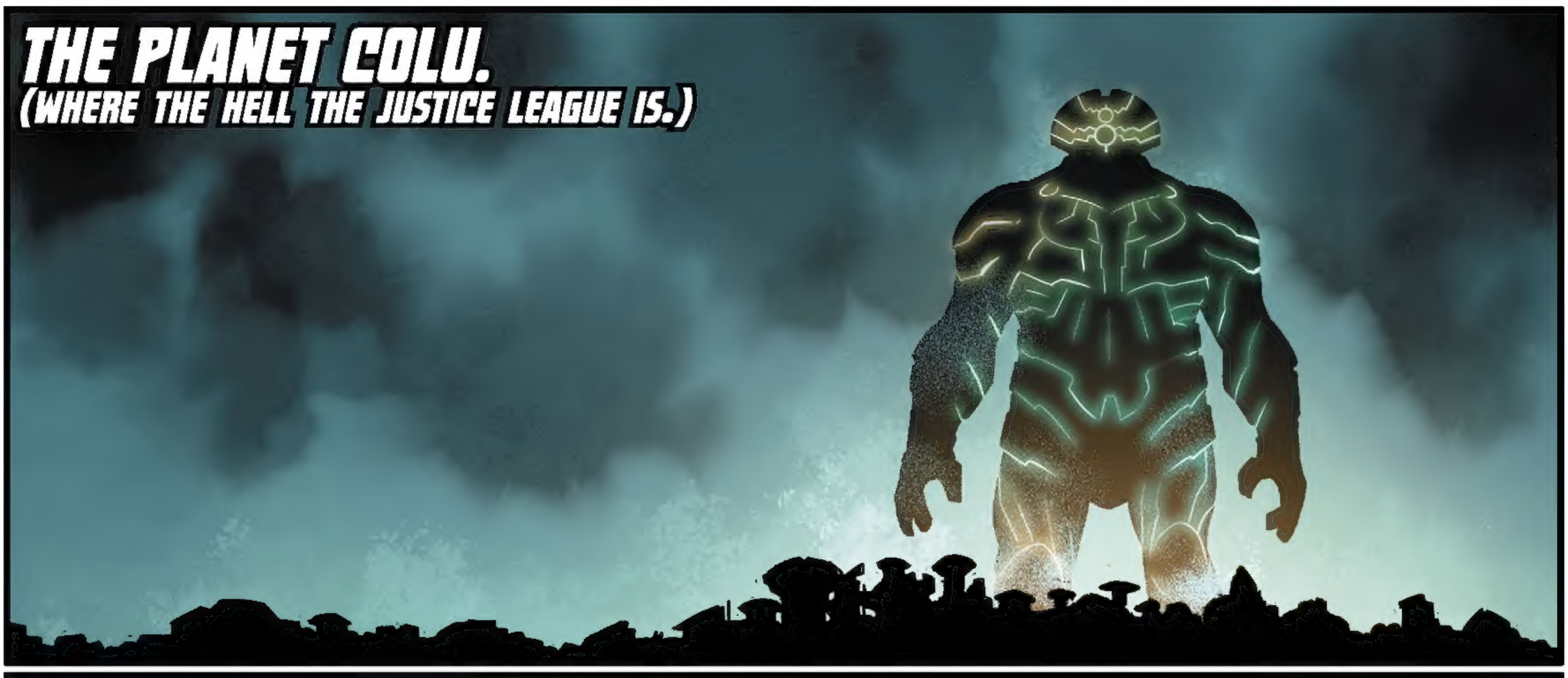

THE PLANET COLU.
(WHERE THE HELL THE JUSTICE LEAGUE IS.)

FULL-SCALE ALERT!
PLANET DESTRUCTION IMMINENT! PLANETARY EVACUATION UNDER WAY!

IT'S ONE OF THEM! A MINION OF BRANIAC!
NONONO, GUYS! WE'RE NOT TEAM BRAINIAC--
--WELL SORT OF, BEFORE HIS HEAD BLEW UP I MEA--
LOOK. WE'RE HERE TO HELP!
YOU WEAR HIS TECHNOLOGY! THE GREATEST VILLAIN IN OUR HISTORY! AND YOU CLAIM YOU'RE HEROES?!

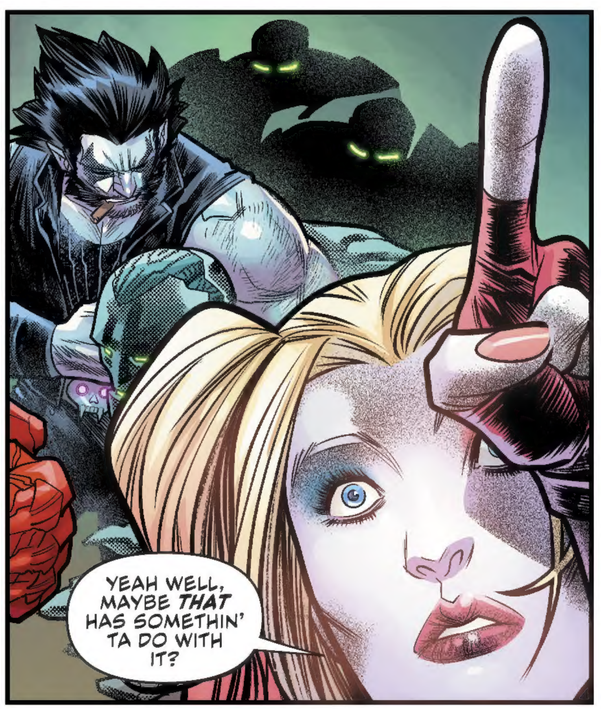
UM... GUYS, BACK ME UP?

GUYS?
A LITTLE BUSY, BEAST BOY!
PLEASE, LISTEN TO US! WE'RE HERE TO HELP!
IT'S NO USE, FLASH, THEY'RE PROGRAMMED TO DESTROY ANYTHING ASSOCIATED WITH BRAINIAC!
THEY'RE THE LEAST OF OUR PROBLEMS, SUPERMAN.
WE NEED TO GET PAST THEM TO STOP THAT OMEGA TITAN FROM EATING THE PLANET!
WHAT WE NEED, BATMAN, IS A PLAN!

BRAINIAC PUT US IN THESE TEAMS FOR A REASON...

...WE JUST HAVE TO FIGURE OUT WHY!
HA! RIGHT THROUGH HIS BRAINPAN! I LIKE YOU, TINY MAN.

ECROF DLEIF! I CAN'T HOLD THEM OFF FOREVER! IF YOU LEAGUERS ARE GOING TO MAKE A DECISION, THEN MAKE ONE.
TRYING, ZATANNA, BUT THESE SUITS ARE GOING CRAZY! I KEEP TRYING TO RECALIBRATE THEM, BUT THEY WON'T LET ME!


YEAH WELL, MAYBE THAT HAS SOMETHIN' TA DO WITH IT?

TREE OF WISDOM.

BRAINY SAID SOMETHIN' 'BOUT A ***TREE,*** RIGHT, LOBO? BEFORE HE WENT ALL SPLODEY, I MEAN.

WELL, HELLO THERE...

FASCINATING... IT'S NOT A ***REAL*** TREE.

IT'S MADE OUT OF... INFORMATION? AND IT'S BROADCASTING A ***SIGNAL.***

THIS HAS TO BE HOW THE OMEGA TITANS DETERMINE THE DOMINANT ENERGY ON A PLANET... AND ON COLU, IT'S ***WISDOM.*** I CAN FEEL MY SUIT DRAWN TOWARD IT.

VICTOR... I FEEL A PULL, TOO, BUT NOT TO HERE. SOMEWHERE SOUTH.

FOR ME, IT'S TO THE NORTHWEST, STARFIRE. IT'S FAINT, BUT IT'S THERE.

SO WHAT? FOUR TEAMS, FOUR ENERGIES, FOUR TREES?

THE LEAGUE WILL TAKE POINT, REFORM THE TEAMS ON OUR OWN TERMS BEFORE WE EXPLORE THESE LOCATIONS.

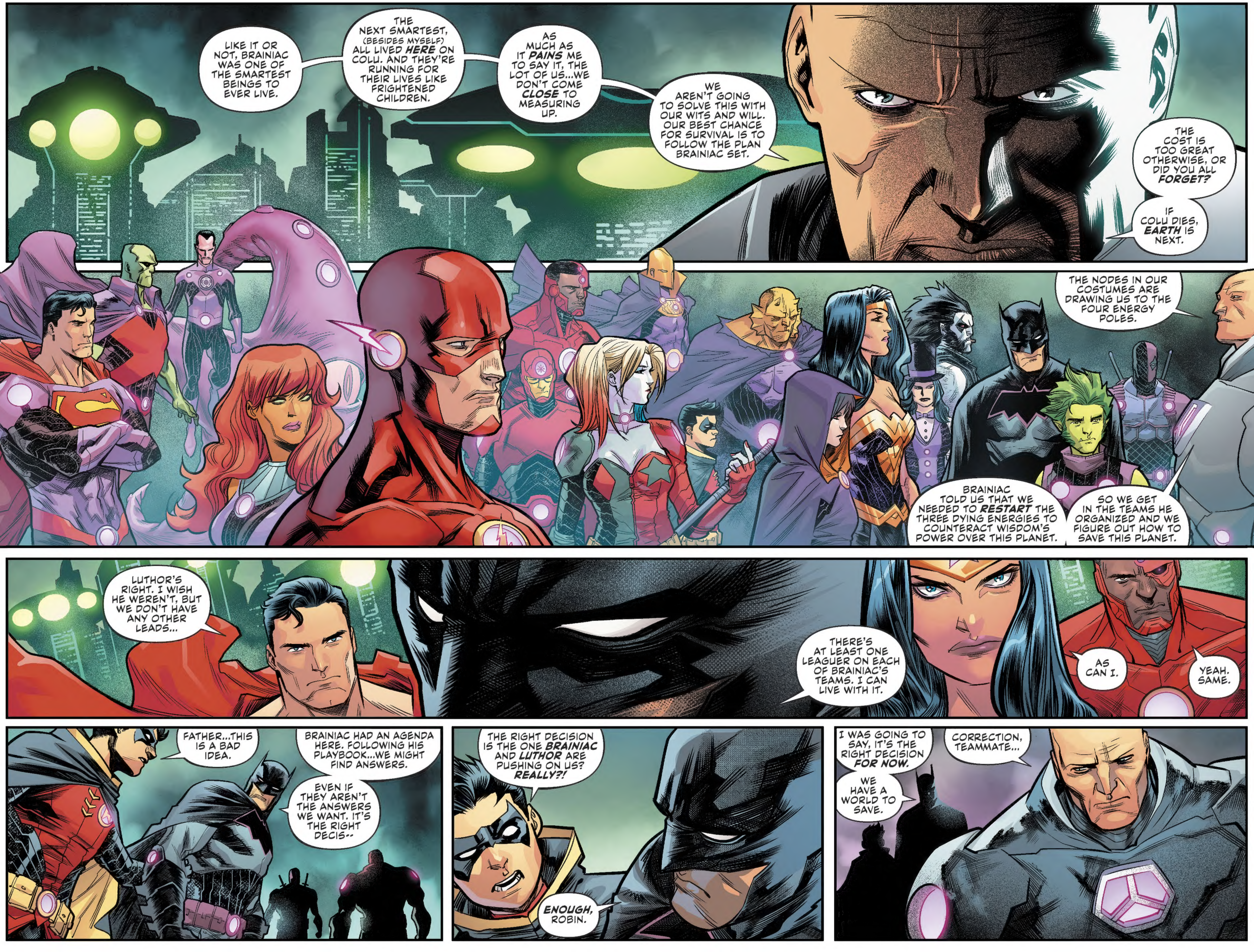
I HAVE LED ENTIRE ***ARMIES.*** I WILL NOT FOLLOW THE ORDERS OF A DELUSIONAL HUMAN IN A KEVLAR CAPE.

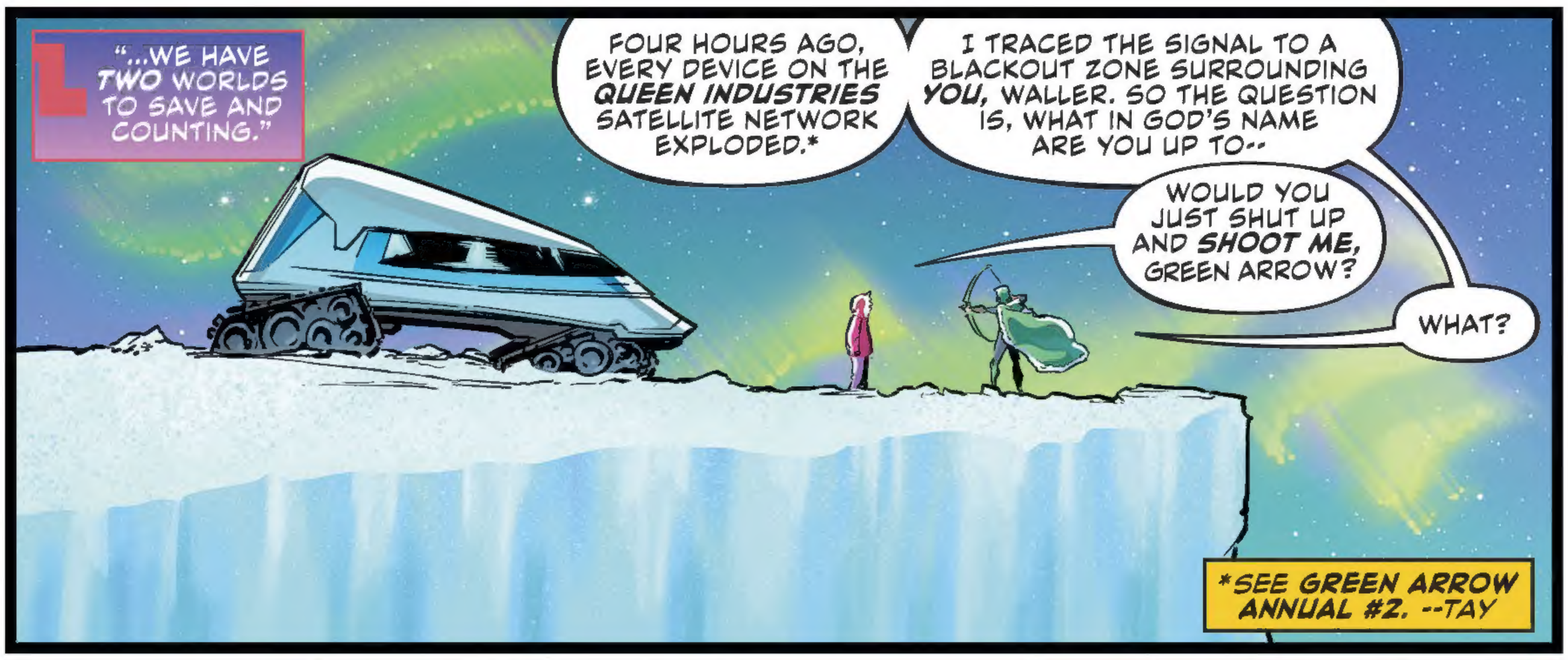
HELL, THE MAIN MAN DOESN'T CARE WHO'S THE BOSS, SO LONG AS HE CAN STICK HIS HOOK IN A SPACE GOD.

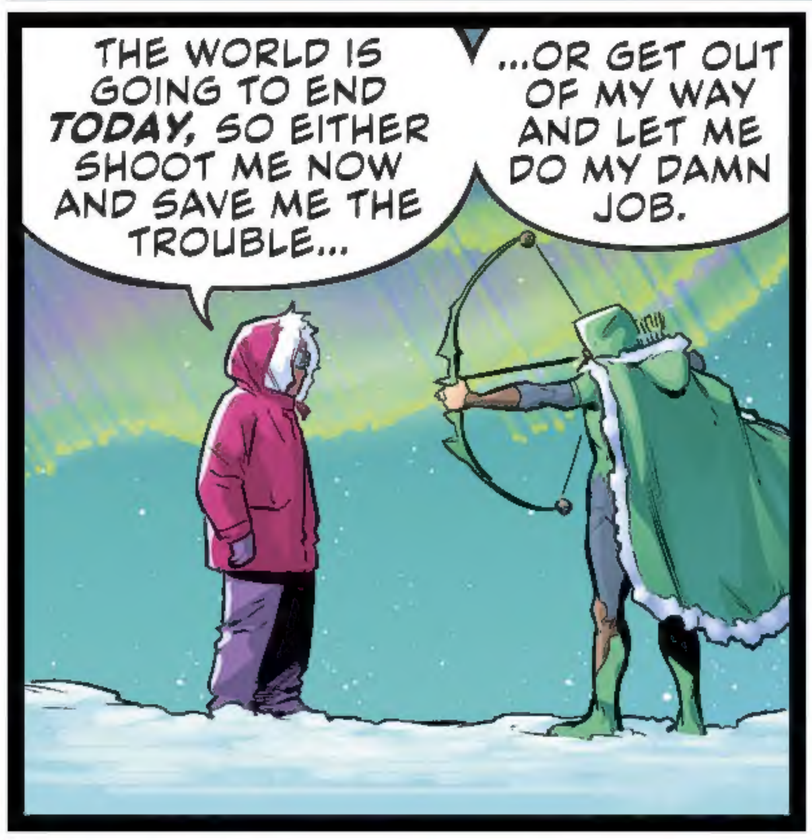
WHADDAYA THINK, BLUE? WANNA GIVE ME A TOSS?

ARE YOU GOING TO TELL THEM, J'ONN, OR SHOULD I?

...BY ALL MEANS, LUTHOR.

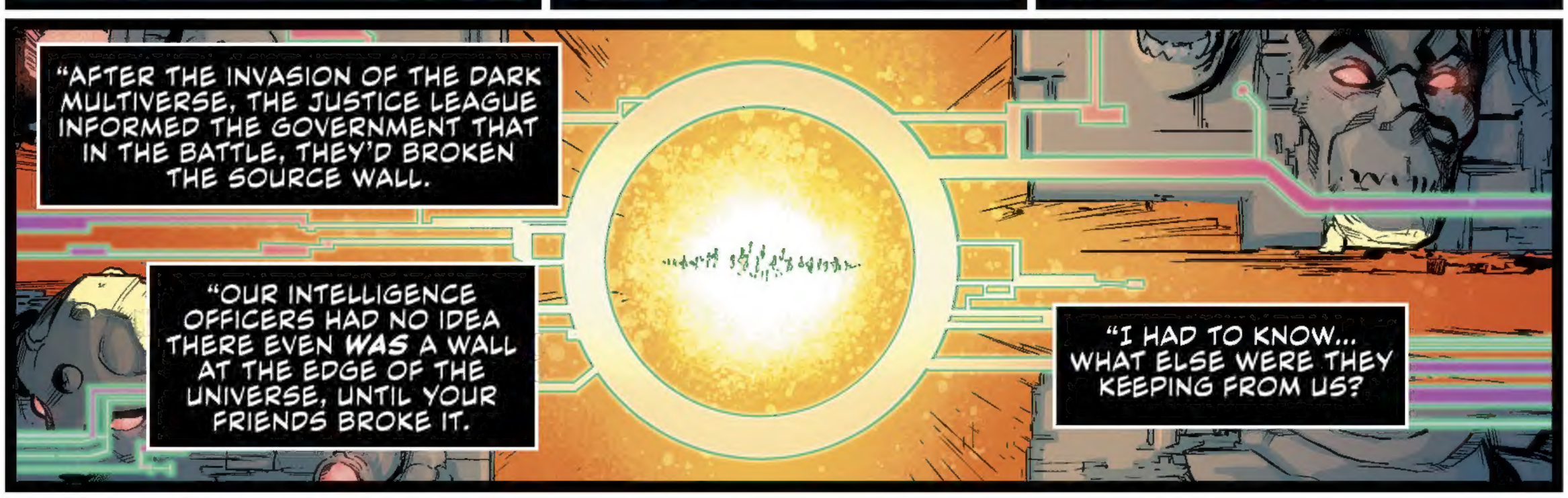

LIKE IT OR NOT, BRAINIAC WAS ONE OF THE SMARTEST BEINGS TO EVER LIVE.
THE NEXT SMARTEST, (BESIDES MYSELF) ALL LIVED HERE ON COLU. AND THEY'RE RUNNING FOR THEIR LIVES LIKE FRIGHTENED CHILDREN.
AS MUCH AS IT PAINS ME TO SAY IT, THE LOT OF US...WE DON'T COME CLOSE TO MEASURING UP.
WE AREN'T GOING TO SOLVE THIS WITH OUR WITS AND WILL. OUR BEST CHANCE FOR SURVIVAL IS TO FOLLOW THE PLAN BRAINIAC SET.
THE COST IS TOO GREAT OTHERWISE, OR DID YOU ALL FORGET?
IF COLU DIES, EARTH IS NEXT.
THE NODES IN OUR COSTUMES ARE DRAWING US TO THE FOUR ENERGY POLES.
BRAINIAC TOLD US THAT WE NEEDED TO RESTART THE THREE DYING ENERGIES TO COUNTERACT WISDOM'S POWER OVER THIS PLANET.
SO WE GET IN THE TEAMS HE ORGANIZED AND WE FIGURE OUT HOW TO SAVE THIS PLANET.
LUTHOR'S RIGHT. I WISH HE WEREN'T, BUT WE DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER LEADS...
THERE'S AT LEAST ONE LEAGUER ON EACH OF BRAINIAC'S TEAMS. I CAN LIVE WITH IT.
AS CAN I.
YEAH. SAME.
FATHER...THIS IS A BAD IDEA.
BRAINIAC HAD AN AGENDA HERE. FOLLOWING HIS PLAYBOOK...WE MIGHT FIND ANSWERS.
EVEN IF THEY AREN'T THE ANSWERS WE WANT. IT'S THE RIGHT DECIS--
THE RIGHT DECISION IS THE ONE BRAINIAC AND LUTHOR ARE PUSHING ON US? REALLY?!
ENOUGH, ROBIN.
I WAS GOING TO SAY, IT'S THE RIGHT DECISION FOR NOW.
CORRECTION, TEAMMATE...
WE HAVE A WORLD TO SAVE.


"...WE HAVE TWO WORLDS TO SAVE AND COUNTING."
FOUR HOURS AGO, EVERY DEVICE ON THE QUEEN INDUSTRIES SATELLITE NETWORK EXPLODED.*
I TRACED THE SIGNAL TO A BLACKOUT ZONE SURROUNDING YOU, WALLER. SO THE QUESTION IS, WHAT IN GOD'S NAME ARE YOU UP TO--
WOULD YOU JUST SHUT UP AND SHOOT ME, GREEN ARROW?
WHAT?
*SEE GREEN ARROW ANNUAL #2. --TAY

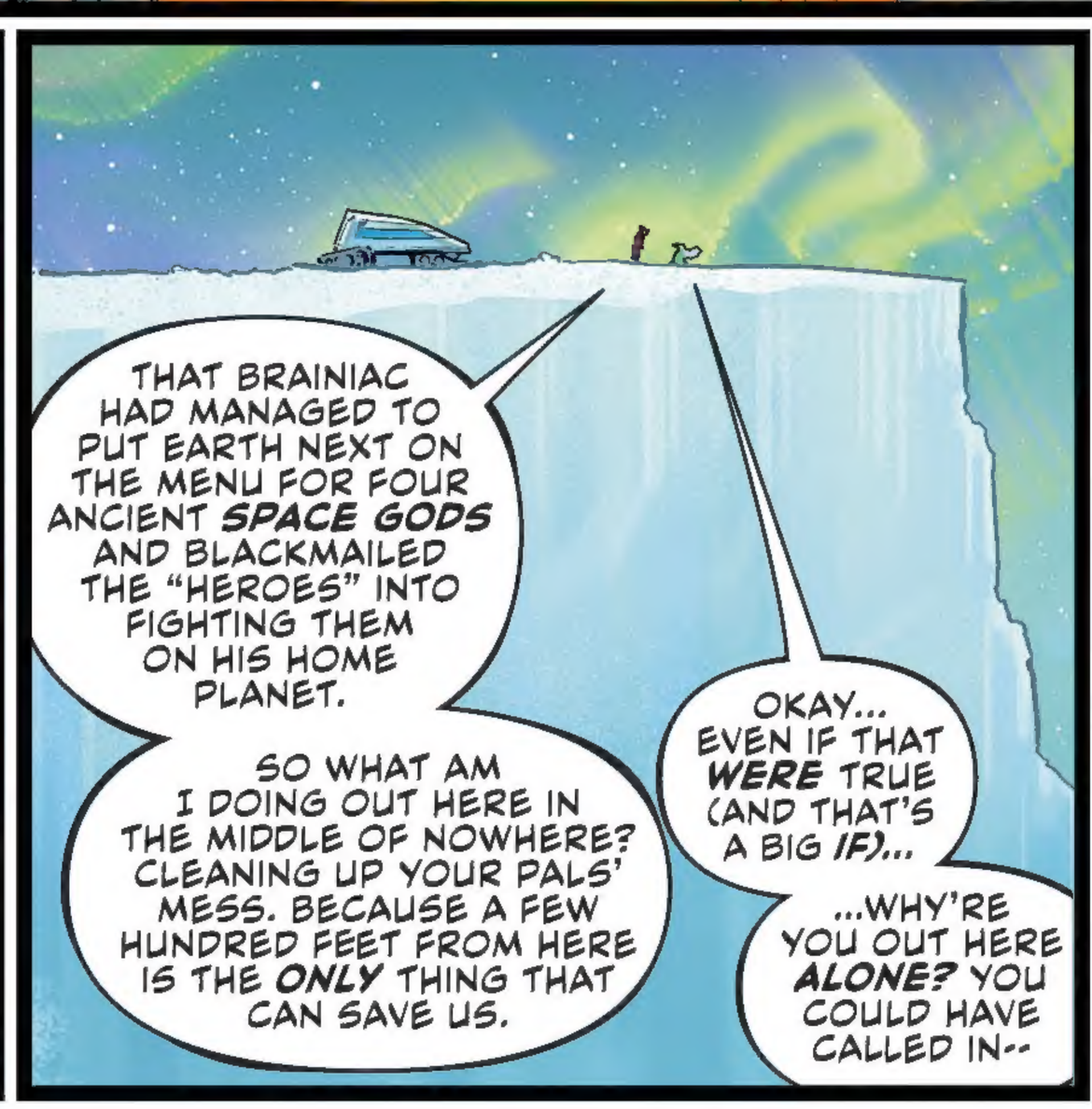

THE WORLD IS GOING TO END TODAY, SO EITHER SHOOT ME NOW AND SAVE ME THE TROUBLE...
...OR GET OUT OF MY WAY AND LET ME DO MY DAMN JOB.

FIRST, TELL ME WHAT'S GOING ON.

FINE.
POOM
UNH!


"AFTER THE INVASION OF THE DARK MULTIVERSE, THE JUSTICE LEAGUE INFORMED THE GOVERNMENT THAT IN THE BATTLE, THEY'D BROKEN THE SOURCE WALL.
"OUR INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS HAD NO IDEA THERE EVEN WAS A WALL AT THE EDGE OF THE UNIVERSE, UNTIL YOUR FRIENDS BROKE IT.
"I HAD TO KNOW... WHAT ELSE WERE THEY KEEPING FROM US?

SO WHEN BRAINIAC INVADED AMERICAN SOIL, I GATHERED THE WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL PSYCHICS, RIPPED EVERY PIECE OF DATA FROM HIS HEAD...AND YOU KNOW WHAT IT SHOWED ME?


THAT BRAINIAC HAD MANAGED TO PUT EARTH NEXT ON THE MENU FOR FOUR ANCIENT SPACE GODS AND BLACKMAILED THE "HEROES" INTO FIGHTING THEM ON HIS HOME PLANET.
SO WHAT AM I DOING OUT HERE IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE? CLEANING UP YOUR PALS' MESS. BECAUSE A FEW HUNDRED FEET FROM HERE IS THE ONLY THING THAT CAN SAVE US.
OKAY... EVEN IF THAT WERE TRUE (AND THAT'S A BIG IF)...
...WHY'RE YOU OUT HERE ALONE? YOU COULD HAVE CALLED IN--

MORE "SUPERHEROES"? NO, THANK YOU. YOU ALL GOT US INTO THIS MESS, I'LL GET US OUT.
YOU DON'T KNOW...?
WALLER. THERE ARE NO OTHER SUPER-HEROES...

"IT HAPPENED AFTER YOU WENT OFF THE GRID. THE REST OF THE HEROES FROM THE MAIN FOUR TEAMS WENT INTO SOME KIND OF...STASIS.

"BRAINIAC MUST HAVE IMPLANTED A FAIL-SAFE. WHY IT WENT OFF NOW, WHO KNOWS, BUT THE FACT IS...

"...WE'RE ON OUR OWN.

WHY DO YOU THINK I DRAGGED MY ASS ALL THE WAY UP HERE? THERE'S ***NO ONE LEFT.***

I KNOW NEITHER OF US PLAYS WELL WITH OTHERS, BUT WE NEED TO DO THIS ***TOGETHER.*** TELL ME THE PLAN AND I'LL FOLLOW YOUR LEAD.

...

...IF YOU WANT TO WORK WITH ME... THE NEXT TIME I TELL YOU TO SHOOT...

...YOU SHOOT.

AS FOR THE REST OF THE PLAN...FIRST, WE DIG UP EARTH'S ***DORMANT COSMIC SEED.*** WHICH HOPEFULLY...

"...WE'LL KNOW WHEN WE SEE IT."

THE TREE OF ENTROPY.

HELL, I'D KNOW SCREAMS LIKE THAT ANYWHERE. THAT TREE IS GROWING OUT OF SOME KIND OF PRISON!

YEAH, THEY CALL IT THE ***ULTRA PENITENCE.*** I FRAGGED A FEW GUYS THAT DID TIME HERE. SOME ROUGH CHARACTERS IN THEM WALLS.

THE COSMIC TREE MUST FEED ON THE ***CHAOS*** INSIDE...SO LET'S GIVE IT SOME PLANT FOOD.

FREE SOME OF THE UNIVERSE'S MOST DANGEROUS VILLAINS? I'M SURE YOU'D LIKE THAT, LEX. LET'S FOLLOW THE NODES ON OUR SUITS FORWARD.

SERIOUSLY. HOW THE HELL DID I GET PICKED FOR ***THIS*** TEAM?

THE TREE OF WONDER.

THE TREE...IT LOOKS ALMOST...PETRIFIED. HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO RESTART SOMETHING THIS DEAD?

COLUANS ARE A PEOPLE OF SCIENCE. THEY REJECTED MAGIC THOUSANDS OF YEARS AGO. IT'S TRUE, I'VE NEVER FELT SUCH... BARRENNESS OF FAITH.

THE TEMPLE BENEATH THE TREE, OUR SUITS ARE DRAWING US TO IT... IT MUST BE WHERE THE PLANET'S LAST MAGIC USERS ARE BURIED...

SO TO POWER THE TREE WE'RE SUPPOSED TO WAKE THE DEAD?

THAT CAN'T BE RIGHT...

CAN IT?

WE WAKE THE PLANET'S MAGICAL DEAD... THEY MAY LEARN TO HATE US INSTEAD.

THE TREE OF MYSTERY.

MY RING CAN'T CRACK THE BLASTED BARRIER. WHATEVER IS INSIDE THIS FORTRESS, IT MUST BE THE KEY TO POWERING OUR TREE.

I CAN'T SCAN IT EITHER.

YOU'RE SAYING IT'S A ***MYSTERY??***

I'LL SHOW MYSELF OUT.

GO ON! I SENSE NO GUARDS. WE HAVE TO HURRY! I CAN FEEL THE ***TITAN*** READYING TO FEED!

MAY X'HAL PROTECT US.

THE TREE OF WISDOM.

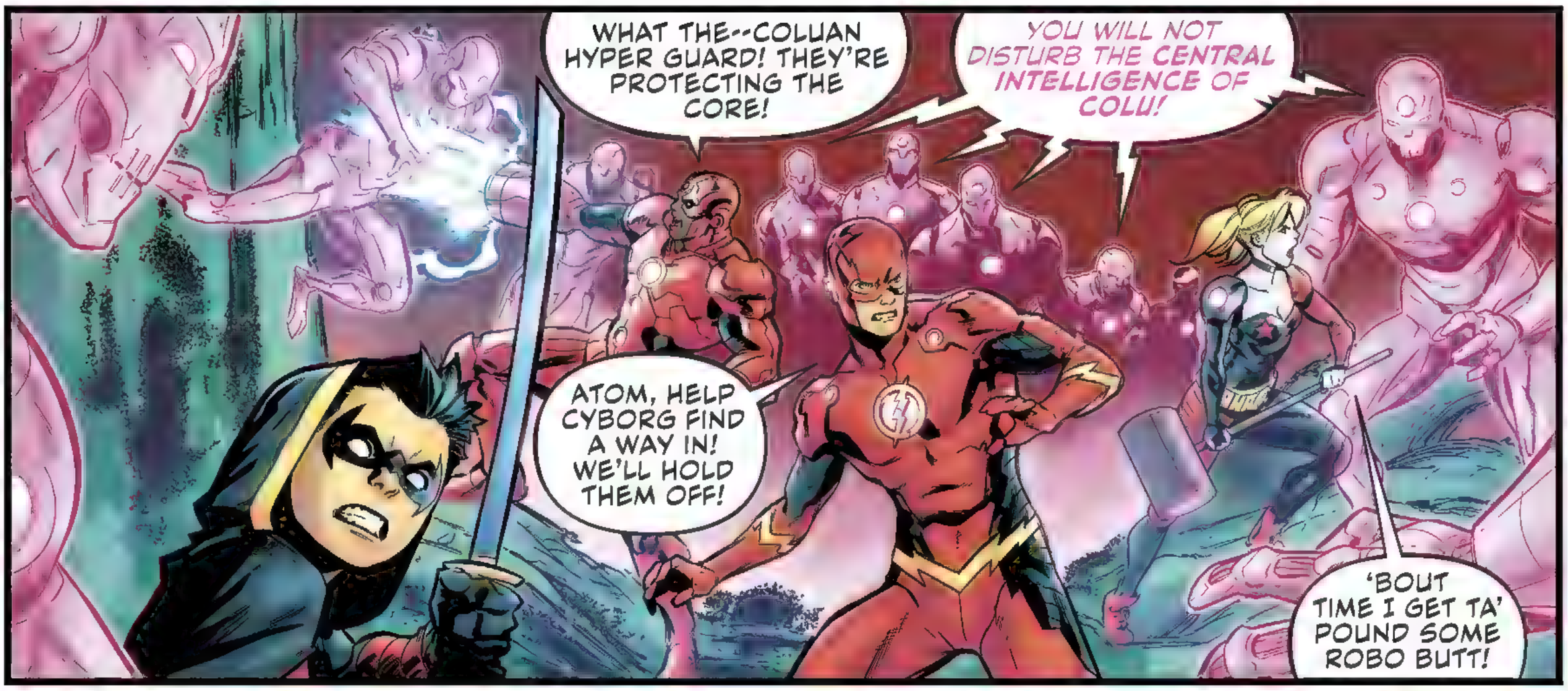
HUH. IF I'M READING THIS RIGHT, THE TREE'S GROWING OUT OF THE PLANET'S CORE DATA BANK. IF WE CAN FIND A WAY IN, WE ***COULD*** DE-POWER IT. EVEN THE PLAYING FIELD FOR THE OTHER TEAMS.

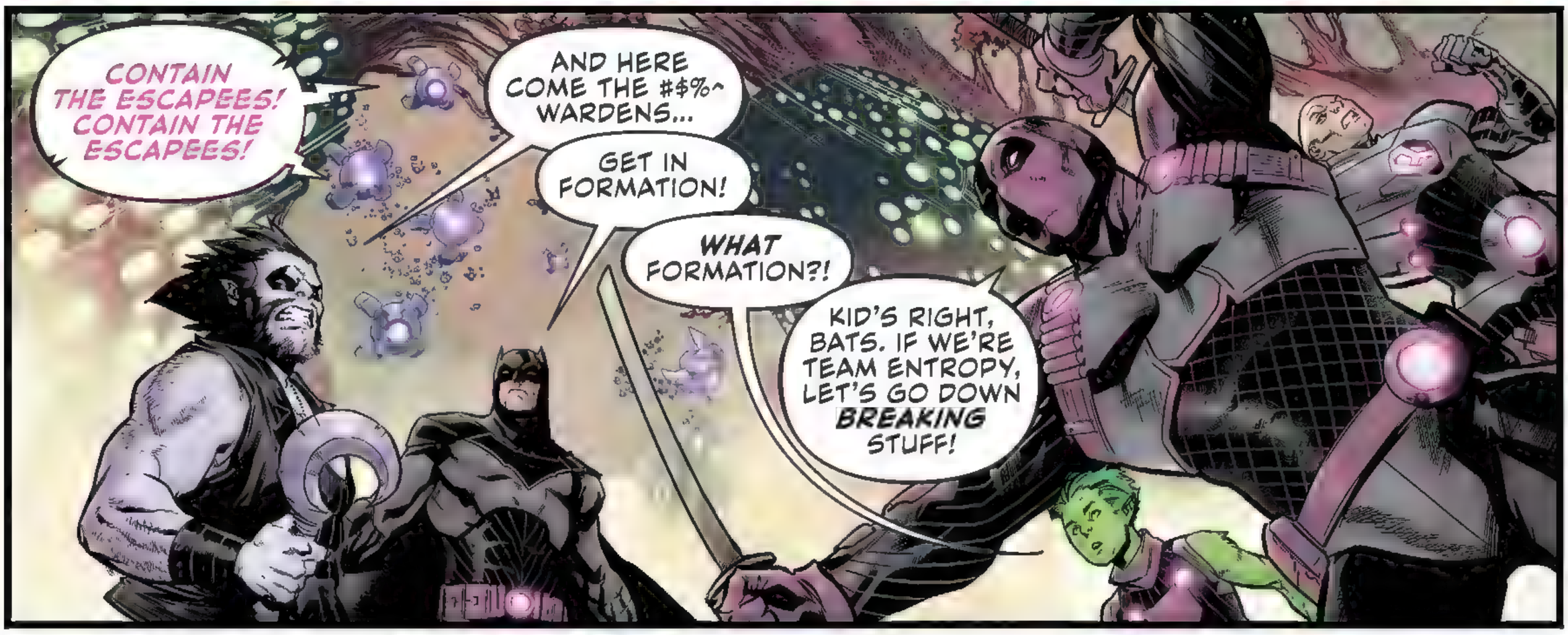
JUST LOOKIT THAT THING...CAN YOU IMAGINE ***THREE*** MORE OF 'EM?

IT'S...NOT FUNNY AT ALL...

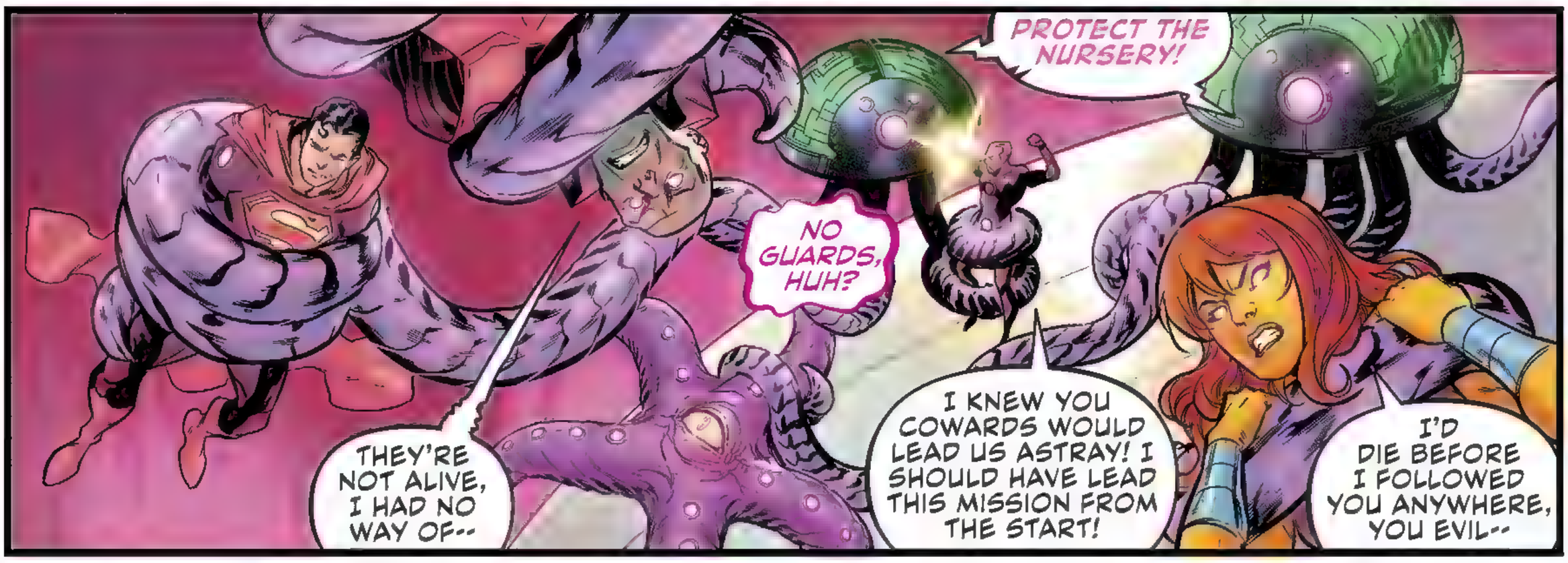
SO WHAT ARE WE SUPPOSED TO DO? MAKE COLU ***DUMBER?***

I THINK YOU'VE ALREADY ***SUCCEEDED,*** SPEEDSTER.


WHAT THE--COLUAN HYPER GUARD! THEY'RE PROTECTING THE CORE!
YOU WILL NOT DISTURB THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE OF COLU!
ATOM, HELP CYBORG FIND A WAY IN! WE'LL HOLD THEM OFF!
'BOUT TIME I GET TA' POUND SOME ROBO BUTT!


CONTAIN THE ESCAPEES! CONTAIN THE ESCAPEES!
AND HERE COME THE #$%^ WARDENS...
GET IN FORMATION!
WHAT FORMATION?!
KID'S RIGHT, BATS. IF WE'RE TEAM ENTROPY, LET'S GO DOWN BREAKING STUFF!

THE TEMPLE WORSHIPPERS' GHOSTS! THEY'RE DRAINING OUR ENERGY!
EACH AS HUNGRY FOR MAGIC AS A STARVED BEAST, IN US THEY'VE FOUND A SUDDEN FEAST!
DAMMIT, LEAGUE, COME IN! CAN YOU HEAR ME?! WE'RE CUT OFF.

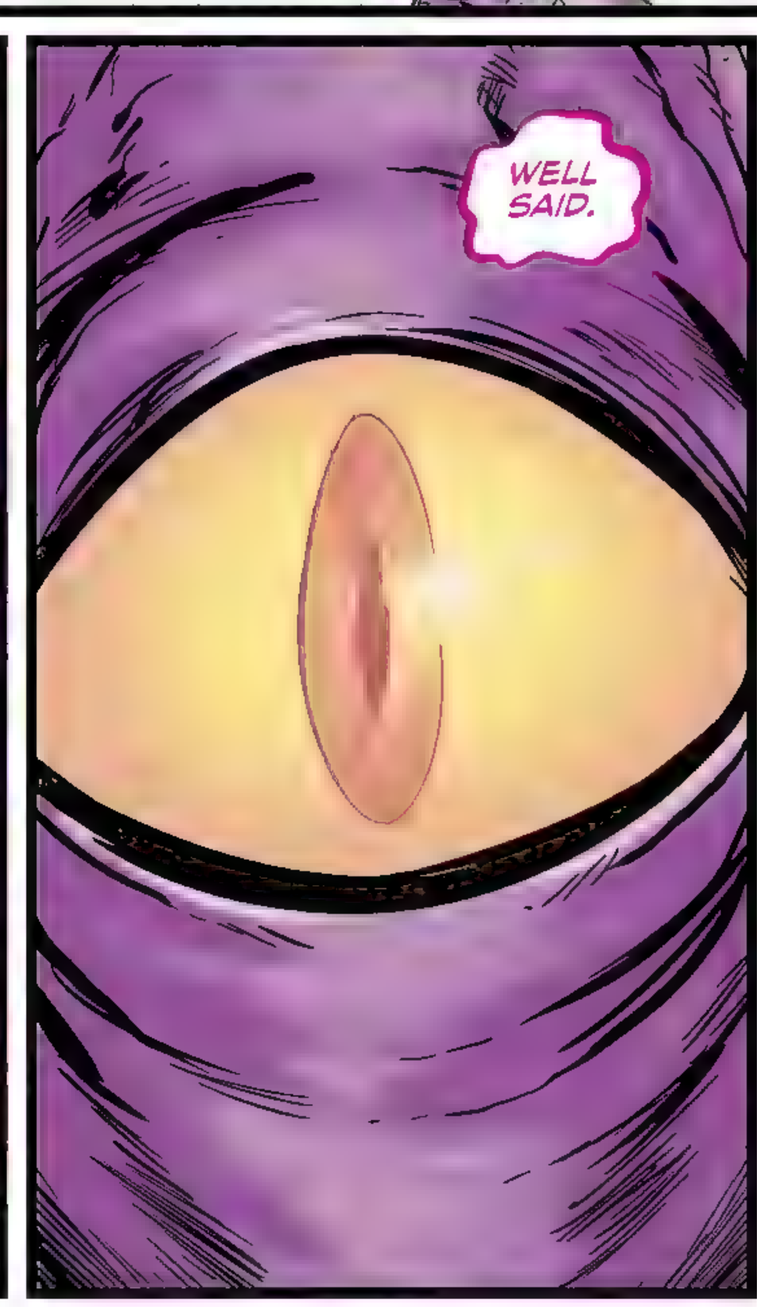

PROTECT THE NURSERY!
NO GUARDS, HUH?
THEY'RE NOT ALIVE, I HAD NO WAY OF--
I KNEW YOU COWARDS WOULD LEAD US ASTRAY! I SHOULD HAVE LEAD THIS MISSION FROM THE START!
I'D DIE BEFORE I FOLLOWED YOU ANYWHERE, YOU EVIL--

ENOUGH FIGHTING!
WE NEED TO GET INSIDE THAT "NURSERY" NOW!

AND WE WILL! BY FORCE! THERE WILL BE NO MORE...NO MORE...

WHAT DID YOU JUST DO TO ME, MARTIAN?
J'ONN?
I CALMED YOUR MIND, SINESTRO. ALL OF YOUR MINDS. FORGIVE ME, BUT YOU NEED TO LISTEN.
STARRO, YOU ARE THE MOST POWERFUL TELEPATH IN THE GALAXY. AMPLIFY MY POWERS SO I MIGHT CONVEY A MESSAGE TO OUR FRIENDS.
(MOST POWERFUL IN THE UNIVERSE BUT WHATEVER.) GO ON.

TEAMS, HEAR ME. I KNOW OUR PROSPECTS LOOK GRIM, BUT THIS. THIS RIGHT HERE IS HOW WE LOSE.
WE BROKE THE SOURCE WALL. US.
THE CHALLENGE WE'RE FACING HERE BECAUSE OF THAT IS ENTIRELY NEW.
WHICH MEANS WE NEED TO FIGHT IN NEW WAYS, WITH NEW ALLIES. TODAY WE ARE FOUR NEW TEAMS, BUT WE ARE ALL THE JUSTICE LEAGUE.


WELL SAID.

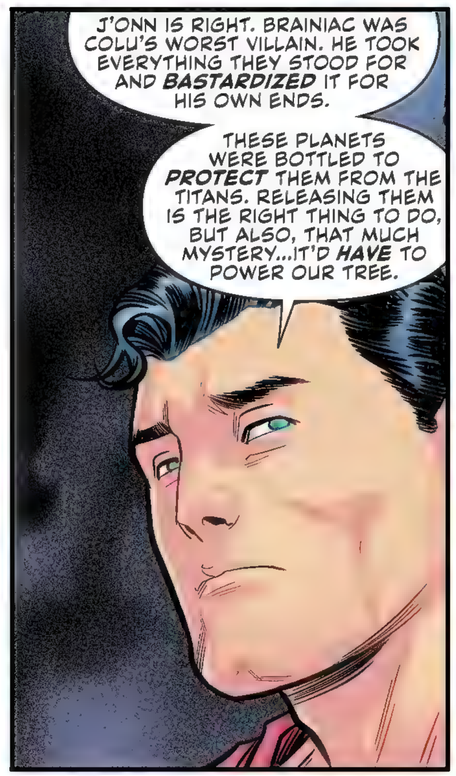
YES, J'ONN. WELL SAID.
STARRO, IF THESE THINGS ARE A.I.?
ALREADY BLOCKING THEIR STUPID LITTLE BRAINS.
ALIEN GIRL, YOUR BLAST MIGHT BE ABLE TO--
ALREADY ON IT.

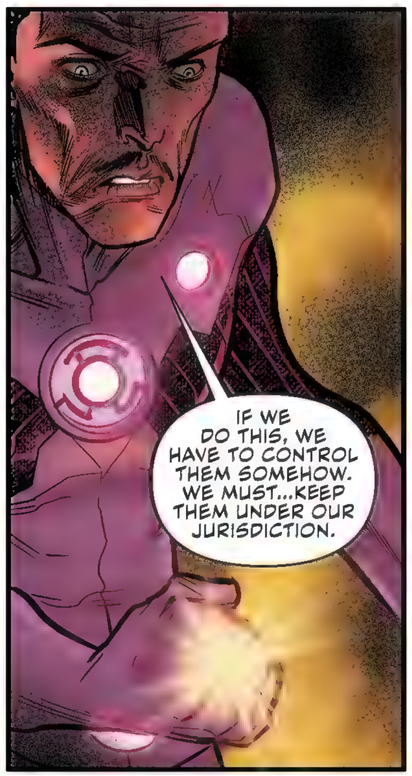
MY GOD...WHEN THE GUARDS CALLED IT A ***NURSERY***...I NEVER SUSPECTED...THERE MUST BE ***THOUSANDS*** OF CITIES INSIDE THESE CONTAINERS.

NOT CITIES, MARTY. ***PLANETS.***

IT'S LIKE KANDOR ON AN EXPONENTIAL LEVEL.

WE HAVE TO ***FREE*** THEM.





"I JUST HOPE THE OTHERS DO THEIRS IN TIME"
ULTRA PENITENCE.
THIS ISN'T ENOUGH! WE NEED TO KEEP OPENING CELLS!
WE NEED TO KEEP PUSHING. WHATEVER THE SUITS ARE PULLING US TOWARDS WAS PART OF BRAINIAC'S PLAN. THAT'S THE KEY TO EVERYTHING.
HEY, YOU ASKED THE MAIN MAN FOR ENTROPY!
I DON'T UNDERSTAND, ISN'T ENTROPY EVIL, THOUGH? WHY WOULD WE--
ENTROPY ISN'T EVIL, BOY! IT'S THE NATURAL DECAY OF THINGS. IT'S PATHOLOGY, CHAOS...AND WE NEED IT TO REIGNITE THAT TREE!
HOW THE HECK AM I SUPPOSED TO DECAY?! YOU'RE TALKING ZOMBIE ANIMALS?! LIKE--
THIS IS WHY THE TEEN TITANS SHOULD NEVER BE ALLOWED AT THE ADULTS' TABLE.
LOOK, LITTLE MAN, I GET IT, YER A TEAM GUY. YER SCARED OF LETTIN' LOOSE.
MAYBE YOU'RE ON TEAM CRAZY BECAUSE WHEN DEATHSTROKE OVER THERE SASSES YOU LIKE THAT, YA JUST WANNA LET GO, THROW YOURSELF AT HIS ONE GOOD EYE AND NOT GIVE A FLYING FRAG WHAT HAPPENS.
SO GIVE IN TO IT. TURN INTO THE SCARIEST DAMN THING YOU CAN THINK OF AND THROW ME INTO THE BIGGEST GUY YOU CAN SEE.
HEH. YEAH. I CAN DO THAT.

NOW WE'RE TALKING!
LET'S RUN THESE BASTICHES INTO THE GROUND!
PROUD ENOUGH TA SHED A TEAR.
TELL ME HOW MANY MORE OF THESE ROBO THINGS I GOTTA SQUASH BEFORE THAT TREE GIVES US SOME FIREWORKS.
THEY AREN'T MAKING A DENT, LOBO. AND THE NODES IN MY SUIT, THEY'RE STILL DRAWING ME IN DEEPER...WE HAVEN'T HIT THE TRUE SOURCE OF ENTROPY YET.
THERE MUST BE SOMEBODY LOCKED IN THE CENTER OF THE PRISON. SOMEBODY WORSE THAN ALL THE REST...
SOMEONE WORTH GUARDING WITH AN ENTIRE DRONE ARMY, EVEN WHEN THE REST OF THE PRISONERS HAVE FLED...
THEN WE KEEP PUSHING!
BEAST BOY, TEAR THROUGH THE WALLS!
"WE FOUND IT..."

EARTH'S SEED...BUT IT'S...
ACTIVATED? WALLER...YOU TOLD ME THE SEED ON EARTH WAS DORMANT. THAT IF WE WAITED UNTIL IT WAS ACTIVATED, IT WOULD BE TOO LATE. WHY IS THE DAMN THING LIT UP ALREADY...
IT...IT WASN'T SUPPOSED TO BE...
OH GOD.
JUST A LITTLE FARTHER!
I KNOW! I CAN FEEL IT...
MY SPELLS... I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S WRONG. THEY SHOULD HAVE MORE STRENGTH AGAINST THESE SPIRITS...
IT'S LIKE SOMETHING IS DAMPENING THEIR POWER.
COME NOW, MARTIAN! TOGETHER WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO WAKE THESE WORLDS!
VERY WELL...
YOU'RE TELLING ME IT'S TOO LATE? THAT THOSE MONSTERS YOU DESCRIBED ARE GOING TO COME HERE AND EAT US ALL? I THOUGHT YOU SAID WE STILL HAD A FIGHTING CHANCE...
WHAT CHANGED?!
I- I...I KILLED BRAINIAC...
THERE MUST HAVE BEEN SOME KIND OF HIDDEN FAIL-SAFE.
=UNH=
THE FEEDBACK... THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG!
I CAN'T REACH THEM!
CYBORG TO THE LEAGUE...THERE'S A BARB IN THE PROGRAMMING OF OUR BRAINIAC SUITS...
I CHECKED THE CIRCUITRY. IT WON'T LET CYBORG CONNECT DIRECTLY TO THE COLUAN DEFENSE SYSTEMS!
THERE... HE SHOULD BE RIGHT IN HERE... WHO...?
NO...
YOU ARE ALL IDIOTS...YOU SHOULD HAVE RUN FROM HERE THE SECOND YOU WERE FREE TO DO SO.
SO, THE JUSTICE LEAGUE DIDN'T SCREW US, WALLER. YOU DID. WHAT THE HELL DO WE DO NOW?
WE PRAY, OLIVER. ALL THAT'S LEFT TO DO IS PRAY.

DID YOU REALLY THINK THERE WAS ANY HOPE FOR COLU?

THAT BRAINIAC WOULD EVER PUT HIS FAITH IN EARTHER "HEROES"?

HE MAY HAVE NEEDED YOUR POWERS, BUT HIS PLAN REQUIRED *HIM* AT EVERY STEP. THE SECOND HE DIED THIS PLANET--*AND YOURS*--WAS *DOOOMED.*

AND WHO THE *HELL* ARE YOU?

HIS NAME IS *VRIL DOX.*

TO BE

YES, BATMAN.

BUT YOU CAN CALL ME BY THE NAME MY FATHER GAVE ME...

...BRAINIAC 2.0

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COVER ME

BATMAN artist Tony S. Daniel shows you how a comic cover is born

Tony S. Daniel never stays in one place long–instead he chooses to touch many characters as quickly as possible.

Daniel's gone from working on BATMAN and DETECTIVE COMICS to DEATHSTROKE and SUPERMAN/WONDER WOMAN. After his amazing stint launching DAMAGE into the DC Universe, Daniel finds himself drawing the Caped Crusader one more time with writer Tom King! Here's an inside look at the creation of BATMAN #46 from the artist himself.

START WITH A SKETCH! "For me, it's a process of trial and error. I kind of know right off the bat if it's going the right way or if I'm going to struggle. In the case of this cover, I had the basic idea down, and it was just going to be Catwoman and Booster Gold, we were just going to concentrate on these two characters. The note I got back from [BATMAN editor] Jamie Rich was, 'Can we actually put Batman on the cover?' [laughs] It's Batman's book so I had no problem with that, but I needed to figure out how without completely starting over."

ON TO PENCILS! "I really like Catwoman's pose. I don't really get to draw Catwoman on a cover where she's looking ready for action. I wanted her to be the focus of the cover, her breaking out of Arkham, and have Booster behind her smiling and cheerful. Every cover for me has some character as the focus, even when there are multiple characters. I like to have the focus, where your eye leads, go on the character that I intend it to. If I made Catwoman the same size as Booster here it would've lost some impact."

INK IT! "When I sent it off to Danny Miki, I got it back and it just looked amazing. He was able to work his magic with the foreground and the background and he really made it look like she was landing on that gravel there. He really gave it a cool effect. Danny really gave it an extra push with his ink rendering."

ON THE COLORS! "When the colors came in, it put the whole piece on another level. The color palette [Tomeu Morey] used really popped the character just right and the sky is so atmospheric. He just breathes so much energy and life into the black-and-white piece. I really struggled with this cover. Sometimes I'm not sure if a cover is good or bad at this point. The three of us together–pencils, inks and colors–made me really happy that I stuck with this one. It really shows what the team does together. It starts with the pencils but you need the inks and the color to make everything whole. Having the right people working over your work makes a big, big difference."

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